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SUBJECT: TWO APPROACHES TO ALBANIAN GOVERNMENT VIA
THE QUAI

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1. IN RESPONSE TO OUR DEMARCHE (REFTELS) QUAI CHIEF
EASTERN EUROPEAN AFFAIRS CALBIAC READILY AGREED TO ASK
THE FRENCH CHARGE IN TIRANA TO QUERY THE ALBANIAN
GOVERNMENT ABOUT THE TWO CASES AT HAND.

2. HE NOTED IN THIS CONNECTION THAT QUAI WILL BE
"GLAD" TO HELP US WITH SUCH HUMANITARIAN PROBLEMS FROM
TIME TO TIME -- ALTHOUGH IT WILL HAVE TO BE CAREFUL NOT
TO CREATE IMPRESSION OF BEING OUR TIRANA "REPRESENTA-
TIVE." WHILE FRENCH WILL DO THEIR BEST, THE FRENCH
EMBASSY IN ALBANIA WILL HAVE TO JUDGE, IN LIGHT OF
PREVAILING ATMOSPHERICS, WHICH AND HOW MANY SUCH CASES
IT CAN REPRESENT. FINALLY, INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD
BE AWARE THAT IT WAS NEVER CERTAIN WHETHER OR WHEN THE
ALBANIANS WOULD REPLY.

3. DE CALBIAC VOLUNTEERED THAT HE HIMSELF WAS IN
TIRANA RECENTLY WITH A SMALL FRENCH TRADE MISSION,
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SIMILAR TO THE ONE WHICH VISITED ALBANIA A YEAR OR SO
AGO. HE WAS WELL, EVEN AMIABLY, RECEIVED AT THE
ALBANIAN FOREIGN OFFICE, BUT WAS NOT ABLE TO DETECT
ANY SIGNIFICANT EVOLUTION IN ALBANIAN ATTITUDES.
CERTAINLY NO VERY RAPID EVOLUTION OF ITS "OPENING"
TOWARD THE WEST SEEMED LIKELY. GOF'S OWN TRADE EX-
CHANGES, FOR INSTANCE, REMAINED "MINISCULE."

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